IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.(Currently Amended) A method of configuring a radio link between a first device and a second device, each of the first device and the second device comprises radio means, and wherein at least one of the first device and the second device comprises proximity detection means and timing means, wherein said method comprises the acts of:

detecting proximity between the first device and the second device when ~~said devices~~ the first device and the second device are ~~near~~ within a predetermined distance of each other,

detecting a duration of the proximity of the first device and the second device to each other,

~~exchanging identifiers of the first device and the second device,~~

establishing the link if the duration exceeds a predetermined ~~value and the identifications are new~~ duration and the link is not already established, and

removing the link if ~~a first identifier of the first device is already present at the second device~~ the link is already established.

Claims 2-3 (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said predetermined ~~value is less than~~ duration is between substantially two and ten seconds.

5. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said predetermined ~~value~~ duration is about 2 seconds.

6. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said identifiers are pre-installed radio identifiers.

7. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1,

wherein said identifiers are randomly generated radio identifiers.

8. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the act of indicating a configuration status of the link.

9. (Currently Amended) A system having devices including a first radio device and a second radio device comprising radio means operable to communicate via a configurable radio link therebetween, and wherein at least one of said devices comprises proximity detection means for detecting proximity between the first radio device and the second radio device when said devices are ~~in close proximity where the first device and the second device exchange identifiers~~ within a predetermined distance of each other, and timing means for detecting duration of said proximity, and wherein said radio means establish the radio link if the duration exceeds a predetermined ~~value and the identifications are new~~ duration and the radio link is not already established, and wherein said radio means remove the radio link if ~~a first identifier of the first device is already present at the second device~~ the radio link is

already established.

10. (Previously Presented) The system as claimed in claim 9, wherein said first and second device are adapted to physically connect with respective host apparatus and wherein said apparatus communicate with one another via said configurable radio link.

11. (Currently Amended) A radio device operable to communicate via a configurable radio link with a ~~second~~ further device, the radio device comprising proximity detection means for detecting ~~when said devices are in close proximity where the first device and the second device exchange identifiers~~ proximity between the radio device and the further device when the radio device and the further device are within a predetermined distance of each other, timing means for detecting duration of said proximity, and radio means for establishing the radio link if the duration exceeds a predetermined ~~value and the identifications are new~~ duration and the radio link is not already established, and for removing the radio link if ~~a first identifier of the first device is already present at the second device~~ the radio link is already established.

12.(Previously Presented) The radio device as claimed in claim 11, wherein said proximity detection means comprises a reed switch and magnet.

13.(Previously Presented) The radio device as claimed in claim 12, wherein said magnet has insufficient field strength to operate said reed switch and wherein said switch and magnet are arranged such that some of the magnetic field lines emanating from the magnet are perpendicular to the direction in which the switch closes.

14.(Previously Presented) The radio device as claimed in claim 12, wherein said magnet has sufficient field strength to operate said reed switch, and wherein said switch sand magnet are arranged such that the magnetic field lines emanating from the magnet are substantially parallel to the direction in which the switch closes.

15.(Previously Presented) The radio device as claimed in

claim 13, wherein said timing means comprises a micro-controller connected with said proximity detection means.

16. (Previously Presented) The radio device as claimed in claim 15, wherein said radio means comprises a digital transceiver controlled by said micro-controller.

17. (Previously Presented) The radio device as claimed in claim 11, the device being further adapted to physically connect with a host apparatus and provide and receive data to and from said host apparatus.

Claim 18 (Canceled)